

THE HONORABLE JOHN C. COUGHENOUR

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON
AT SEATTLE

In re RAGHAVENDRAN SHANKAR

CASE NO. MC24-0074-JCC

MINUTE ORDER

The following Minute Order is made by direction of the Court, the Honorable John C. Coughenour, United States District Judge:

This matter comes before the Court *sua sponte*. On November 4, 2024, the Court issued a vexatious litigant order against Raghavendran Shankar (“Mr. Shankar”) following repeated abuses of the Court’s processes. (*See generally* Dkt. No. 1.) In it, the Court revoked Mr. Shankar’s e-filing privileges and ordered the Clerk to file any additional complaints from Mr. Shankar under a miscellaneous case number for the Court’s review. (*Id.* at 3–4.) Nevertheless, Mr. Shankar continues to flagrantly abuse the judicial process. On the record, Mr. Shankar has submitted multiple proposed complaints that fail to comply with the vexatious litigant order. (*See generally* Dkt. Nos. 2, 3, 4, 6, 7) (proposed complaints) (*see also generally* Dkt. Nos. 5, 10) (Court’s dispositions of the proposed complaints). Off the record, Mr. Shankar has flooded this Court’s e-mail inbox with inappropriate messages containing numerous expletives and

1 pejoratives about this Court, the Honorable Chief Judge Estudillo, and other officers of the law.

2 The Court must regularly maintain its e-mail inbox in order to stay apprised of proposed
3 orders coming from legitimate parties with meritable claims. However, Mr. Shankar has
4 overwhelmed the Court with his deluge of frivolous e-mails. And once again, the Court
5 emphasizes that “[f]lagrant abuse of the judicial process cannot be tolerated because it enables
6 one person to preempt the use of judicial time that properly could be used to consider the
7 meritorious claims of other litigants.” *DeLong v. Hennessey*, 912 F.2d 1144, 1148 (9th Cir.
8 1990).

9 Accordingly, the Court SUPPLEMENTS its vexatious litigant order (Dkt. No. 1) and
10 REVOKES Mr. Shankar’s access to the Court’s e-mail inbox.

11 DATED this 21st day of April 2025.

12 Ravi Subramanian
13 Clerk of Court

14 s/Kathleen Albert
15 Deputy Clerk